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# CEDAP

## Commercial Equipment Direct Assistance Program

Technology to Support Emergency Responders

### BACKGROUND

Emergency responder agencies will now be able to acquire specialized commercial equipment through a direct transfer program initiated by the Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) Office of State and Local Government Coordination and Preparedness (SLGCP). A Congressional mandate, the new DHS program will transfer technologies directly to smaller jurisdictions and eligible metropolitan areas. CEDAP will complement SLGCP grant programs such as the State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSGP) and the Urban Security Initiative (UASI) program.

### TERRORISM THREATS IN SMALLER JURISDICTIONS

The threat of terrorism extends outside the city limits of major metropolitan areas. Agencies outside urban areas may be confronted by threats to the transportation infrastructure, agriculture,

power plants are typically located in smaller jurisdictions. Experience shows that terrorists often choose to live and train in small and rural communities. Additionally, suburban and smaller agencies often serve as the support and safety net for their larger neighboring cities. Through mutual aid and task force operations, smaller agencies also play a vital role in nearby urban areas. One of the central goals of CEDAP is to assist smaller

**CEDAP does not provide grants. Rather, it transfers systems and devices directly to local agencies.**

water supplies, power grids, and other critical items spread out over a wide geographical area. Targets such as pipelines and nuclear



Search Camera and Victim Locator

## **PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

- No lengthy application: User-friendly online application process.
- No match: All program costs covered by Federal Government.
- Direct transfer: Equipment delivered to agencies by the government.
- Training included: Travel and training costs are covered.



Chemical Detector

jurisdictions that cannot otherwise afford to purchase state-of-the-art equipment for their roles in these important homeland security missions. Since its inception, DHS has stressed regional response, mutual aid, and the need for equipment interoperability, a vital component of any response anywhere in the United States. CEDAP successfully builds on this philosophy.

Law enforcement agencies and other emergency responder agencies working in task forces are eligible to receive selected equipment items and systems, together with training assistance. Agencies can request equipment for communications interoperability, information sharing, and chemical detection, as well as sensor devices, and personal protective equipment.

## **PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**

CEDAP technologies will be provided primarily to smaller agencies and departments. These agencies and departments will have to show they have not been able to acquire this equipment through other sources such as the SHSGP or UASI program. Receipt of equipment under the FY 2005 CEDAP is contingent upon the submission and approval of the online CEDAP application through the Responder Knowledge Base (RKB). Established and funded by SLGCP,

the RKB is a Web-based information tool for first responders. RKB is operated by the Memorial Institute for the Prevention of Terrorism (MIPT) .

Applicants will submit their equipment requests using the RKB and they will find all of the information they need at [www.rkb.mipt.org](http://www.rkb.mipt.org).

CEDAP applications will be scored, ranked, and rated by subject matter experts. Agencies and departments may request only one device in their application. Unsuccessful Phase I applicants may resubmit their applications during Phase II of the CEDAP program.

State Administrative Agencies (SAAs) for DHS SLGCP programs will be asked for their input on applications submitted within their States. The SAA will play a vital role during the review process by ensuring that the requested technologies are consistent with the State strategy.

Night Vision Kit



## CEDAP TECHNOLOGIES

### Detection and Sensory Equipment

- Advanced Portable Detector
- Night Vision Kit
- Search Camera/Victim Locator
- Thermal Imager

### Information Sharing and Risk Management Tools

- Law Enforcement Software
- Link and Pattern Analysis Software

### Interoperability Devices

- Communications Interoperability Gateway/Crossband Switch

### Personal Protective Equipment

- CBRN-approved Air Purifying Respirator (APR) and NFPA 1994 Class 3 Protective Ensemble with boots and gloves.



Thermal Imager

Applications are available online at

[www.rkb.mipt.org](http://www.rkb.mipt.org)

## ROLE OF THE U.S. ARMY

DHS has established a partnership with the Electronic Proving Ground (EPG), an engineering facility of the U.S. Army. EPG is responsible for management and support of CEDAP. Staff at the EPG are highly trained professionals who can answer equipment or application questions.

## CEDAP EQUIPMENT

The CEDAP program offers equipment and equipment training in the following four categories: personal protective equipment (PPE), detection and sensor devices, law enforcement information sharing software, and communications interoperability. The equipment available through this program is proven, reliable equipment from a variety of sources including the DHS Prepositioned Equipment Program (PEP) caches and the Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP's) Technology Transfer Program. Equipment will be added to the catalog periodically.

Future CEDAP solicitations will add other PEP and ONDCP equipment to the list of equipment, and include new and promising equipment available through commercial off-the-shelf (COTS) or government off-the-shelf (GOTS) equipment programs. Phase I applicants select one item in the CEDAP Technologies list and should refer to the online CEDAP Equipment Catalog for more information about these items.

In FY 2005 Phase I of the CEDAP program represents \$8 million in equipment transfers. Phase II will consist of an additional \$24 million in equipment that will be transferred. Prospective applicants should check the Web site to determine if they meet the eligibility criteria, download and study the application with their colleagues, and ask questions or seek guidance from the CEDAP Program Office if they need assistance. Applicants should review the instructions thoroughly before submitting an application.

## FAQ

### 1. Who is eligible to apply?

Applications will be accepted from smaller law enforcement and emergency responder agencies not currently funded through the Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI).

### 2. Will college and university campus police be able to take advantage of the program?

Yes. Many colleges and universities in small and rural areas have diverse student populations and unique vulnerabilities associated with high profile research facilities or critical infrastructures that require an enhanced law enforcement capability.

### 3. Will more equipment be available beyond these first categories?

Yes, we will continue to expand the program and add new and innovative equipment that has been proven useful and effective.

### 4. Why is the program being implemented in two phases?

In order to leverage existing Federal programs, we decided that the first phase of the program would be devoted to rapidly deploying existing equipment chosen from the Prepositioned Equipment Program, then expand the available equipment in Phase II.

### 5. What happens when the number of successful applicants exceeds available funding?

CEDAP funding is limited, so not all applications will be approved. Applicants who are not approved for Phase I may reapply for Phase II.

## TRAINING

Training and technical assistance are provided at the time technologies are delivered and transferred under the program. Representatives from the successful applicant agencies, departments, or jurisdictions must attend a training conference. At this mandatory training, SLGCP will confirm that the systems and devices will be utilized fully and correctly.

The Commercial Equipment Direct Assistance Program (CEDAP) will include two types of training.

- 1) The majority of applicant agencies will receive individual devices and will be invited to receive classroom instruction at the regional training and delivery conferences.
- 2) Those agencies scheduled to receive more complex systems will receive on-site training at their respective agency locations.

## EVALUATION

CEDAP equipment recipients must agree to participate in several follow-up evaluations and reports. Semi-annual impact evaluations to ascertain the level of use and applicability of the equipment transferred will be conducted by outside sources. In addition, these reviews and evaluations will request user feedback to identify best practices and lessons about the CEDAP process, all of which will help to improve the CEDAP program, the process it uses, and equipment offerings.

## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Questions about the CEDAP application process should be directed to the Centralized Information and Scheduling Desk (CSID) at **1-800-368-6498**.

Questions about CEDAP technologies should be directed to the U.S. Army Electronic Proving Ground (EPG) at **1-866-659-9170**.